

## ENGLISH EXPERTS TALK ON ATHLETICS

Only Two Deaths From That Cause at Oxford in Last Twenty Years.

OXFORD, ENGLAND, December 28.—Dr. Tyrrell Brooks of Oxford University, has made an inquiry among the principals of public schools in England as to the effect of athletics on the pupils. (In the last twenty years only five deaths from athletics are on record. One was from asphyxiation, the youth being smothered by food that came up in his throat when he practiced on a horizontal bar just after a meal. The other deaths were from surgical operations. In the university in the last twenty years there have been but two deaths from athletics, one of them valvular disease of the heart.)

In the same period there were four sudden deaths among students taking no part in athletics. The heart is most likely to be damaged by excessive indulgence in violent exercise. Vascular damage, due to exertion, is rare. Excessive smoking, drinking or gluttony harms the heart the same way; also the toxins of fever. The only practical danger in taking exercise after a heavy meal.

Dr. John Morgan's study of the life history of men who have taken part in university boat races shows that their longevity and physical activity are above the average. Long school runs should be forbidden to athletes. There should be no active exercise until an hour after eating.

Sir Clifford Allbutt has had an elaborate series of blood pressure observations made among the student athletes at the University of Cambridge. The only serious results, it was shown, were in those who had bad colds or other infectious ailments. Sir J. J. Lauder Brunton says that the ideal training for youth is a combination of the physical exercise methods and games—such a system as is at present carried out at the University of Pennsylvania or in the schools at Berne. Every school, he says, should have a game, and a game should be carried out at the University of Pennsylvania or in the schools at Berne.

Dr. Anthony Trill, provost of Trinity College, Dublin, says a majority of those taking fellowships and scholarships there are athletes. In the elementary schools, he said, there should be no system of exercises unless the pupils are properly fed. He indicated the danger of public school athletics in large cities like New York or London, where there is no standard of feeding among the scholars and where many scholars come from homes where there is not money enough for feeding on an athletic basis. This is the great problem, he said, in connection with the proposal to introduce the Swedish exercises in the schools in Ireland.

The more hazardous the game, says Sir James Barr, the better it is for the development of the character of the individual taking part.

### JOHNSON STARTS WORK ON NEW GYMNASIUM

CHICAGO, ILL., December 28.—Work was started to-day on the equipment of the gymnasium in the new home of the Chicago Athletic Association. The new home, which is the property of the Chicago Athletic Association, is a large building on the corner of Jackson and Madison streets. The new home, which is the property of the Chicago Athletic Association, is a large building on the corner of Jackson and Madison streets.

Johnson said to-day that he would have a large training staff consisting of "Gunboat Smith," Monte Cutler, Jack Heiman and several others.

### Reville Released to Richmond

NEW YORK, December 28.—The New York Americans to-day released pitcher Reville to the Richmond club of the Virginia State League, and Outfielder

### Madison Square Garden Sold

NEW YORK, December 28.—Madison Square Garden, erected at a cost of \$3,000,000, has been sold to a real estate syndicate and will be torn down and replaced by a modern office building, according to a report in the reality

## ACCA TEMPLE READY TO OPEN ITS CIRCUS MONDAY



An enthusiastic meeting of Acca Temple was held last night, at which it was decided to make the opening night of the Rhoda Royal Two-Ring Circus, Hippodrome and Will West in the Horse Show Building the biggest event in the history of local amusements.

The Shriners, who are standing sponsor for the Rhoda Royal Circus, have received nothing but glowing reports from many sources as to the exceptional merits of the big show, and the idea of the members of Acca Temple is to pack the amphitheatre the first night, after which they feel assured that the practice will speak for itself. As one enthusiastic Shriner said last night, "The circus won't need any boosting on our part after the first performance in Richmond. Everybody present will become a walking advertisement, and for this reason, more than any other, we are anxious to crowd the house to the doors on next Monday night."

The Shriners have gone to a great expense to get the Rhoda Royal Circus

here, and from all reports the engagement will prove a decided innovation. Rhoda Royal and his coterie of circus stars have succeeded in creating a genuine sensation all over the country, and the circus comes to Richmond widely heralded as a great novelty.

So great was the success achieved in Atlanta last week that extra inducements were made to the management to remain for the second week, and without exception the Atlanta papers are a unit in declaring that the show is the best thing in the amusement line ever presented in that city. One newspaper said: "A two dollar show for 'six bits.' And it's a great circus, too. It's the best circus that ever came to Atlanta, the best circus that ever struck a chord in the heart of childhood or renewed the spark of childhood in the heart of a grown-up."

The accompanying illustration shows a pair of famous clowns—Dick Ford and "Ab" Johnson—who head the list of forty fun-makers with the show.



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new minister is about fifty years old, a native of Harper's Ferry, W. Va., where he received his early education. His preparatory training was at St. Charles College, Elliott City, Md. He was sent to Rome by Cardinal Gibbons because of his marked ability at St. Charles, and he stayed in Rome and afterwards was ordained there. For eight years he was assistant at St. Peter's, Richmond, where he was private secretary to the bishop and chancellor of the diocese, being sent from there to Fairfax county to organize an order.

## DANGEROUS PLAYS MUST BE ABOLISHED

Revision of Football Rules Decided On by Intercollegiate Association—Only Three Colleges Vote Against Reform.

NEW YORK, December 28.—The Intercollegiate Athletic Association adopted and submitted to its rules committee to-night a resolution calling for a modification of the football playing rules whereby the injury to contestants may be confined to a minimum.

This is the resolution as introduced by Professor E. K. Hall, of Dartmouth, and adopted after a long and acrimonious discussion: "That the football rules committee of this association be instructed to use every possible endeavor to bring about a modification of the rules as in their judgment shall tend to reduce to a minimum the danger of physical injury to the players, and at the same time retain as far as may be possible the most desirable and interesting features of the game."

Only three negative votes were registered against the resolution, but nearly every college in the West had something to say concerning it. Professor Alfonso A. Stage, of the University of Chicago, made a motion which would prohibit all officials of a football game, including umpires, referees and all other participants, from talking to newspaper men after the game. Stage made a strong appeal for this motion, saying that he had been grossly misquoted at times; but the convention defeated the motion by an overwhelming vote.

The revision of the game was ordered, it is understood, with due consideration of the association of Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Cornell and a few other institutions which are not members of the intercollegiate organization. Harvard had joined the association, but its representative let it be known that the institution would not be bound by the new football rules of the association, although it might recognize its regulation of other minor sports.

A letter was read from David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford, Jr. University, stating that the American game had been abandoned there, and that the English rugby game had been found satisfactory. It was only the students, but to the spectators.

West Point submitted a set of resolutions which called for a radical change in the playing rules, but these, with the resolutions put aside for the resolution offered by Mr. Hall, of Dartmouth.

It became apparent that the larger colleges were in favor of the present rules, while the smaller institutions were violently opposed to them. The representative of nearly every institution of higher learning between New York and San Francisco made an appeal, and many offered motions which would limit the danger of the present football game. These offerings became so confused that Hall's resolution was adopted as a compromise.

**Plays Must Go.** Representatives from Cornell and other institutions not directly represented in the association, suggested that rules minimizing the danger of the sport would be acceptable. It was the consensus of opinion that the rules regulating mass play and the running tackle, otherwise known as the flying tackle, and playing through the line, would have to be done away with. The representatives of a number of large colleges expressed themselves not only in favor of this, but conveyed the threat that they would either adopt a modified form of football or would withdraw from the association.

Officers of the association were elected as follows: Captain Palmer Epler, U. S. M., West Point, president; Dr. R. T. McKenna, University of Pennsylvania, vice-president; Professor P. W. Nicholson, Wesleyan, Conn., secretary and treasurer. A. H. Peterson, of the University of North Carolina, was appointed a member of the executive committee. The rules committee, which will undertake the task of bringing about a revision, is as follows: Dr. H. F. Williams, Minnesota; Dr. James A. Babbitt, Haverford, Pa.; E. K. Hall, Dartmouth College; Lieutenant H. D. Hackel, U.

## FEATURE OF CARD IS TAKEN BY FONT

One-Mile Race for Gentlemen Riders Attraction at Moncrief Park.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., December 28.—The feature attraction at Moncrief this afternoon was the one-mile race for gentlemen riders. This race, the second on the card, was won by Font, Font was ridden by Donald Font, winning easily. Crepps Beckham, ridden by Mr. Pearce, who came all the way from Louisville for the event, finished second. Judge Murray presented the winner with a handsome silver cup, a gift from the association.

Three favorites won to-day. Cross-over, Font and May Amelia being the favorite winners. The fourth race was substituted, and May Amelia, who was actually played at 5 to 5, took the money.

Joekey Morgan was thrown in the fourth, and his mount, Hazel, narrowly missed mashing the boy to death. He was seriously injured. The horse stumbled, causing the boy to fall, the accident occurring just at the finish.

First race—five and a half furlongs, selling—Cross-over, 106 (Ural), 9 to 10; first; Clem Beachy, 133 (Page), 11 to 2; second; Gipsy Girl, 93 (Nicolai), 3 to 1. Time, 1:12 3-4.

Second race—gentlemen's cup race, mile, selling—Font, 132 (D. Font), 9 to 10; first; Crepps Beckham, 141 (Mr. Pearce), 5 to 2; second; Billy Pullman, 142 (Mr. Redman), 7 to 1; third. Time, 1:10 3-4.

Third race—six furlongs, selling—Pocomoke, 105 (J. Hogg), 13 to 5; first; Lord Nelson, 109 (Burns), 9 to 10; second; Many Colors, 104 (Page), 10 to 1; third. Time, 1:12 3-4.

Fourth race (substituted race)—five and a half furlongs, selling—May Amelia, 104 (Ural), 3 to 5; first; Austin Sturtevant, 104 (Gans), 10 to 1; second; Polar Star, 109 (Page), 5 to 1; third. Time, 1:11 2-5.

Fifth race—one mile, selling—Greenbridge, 103 (Musgrave), 5 to 5; first; Gansion, 105 (Gans), even, second; Harkaway, 98 (Ural), 15 to 1; third. Time, 1:45 1-5.

Sixth race—mile and a sixteenth, selling—Heart of Hyacinth, 112 (Palms), 20 to 1; first; Castlewood, 112

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(Nicolai), even, second; Irrigator, 103 (King), 20 to 1; third. Time, 1:55 4-5.

## Great Day at Tampa.

TAMPA, FLA., December 28.—Summer-like weather, a good card and close finishes contributed to the enjoyment of to-day's racing. The layers had the better of the betting argument, despite the fact that a majority of favorites won. Second choices captured two of the purses. Davenport's clever ride on Edwin L. beating the well-played Cloisteress in the third, was a feature. Davenport laid in fourth place in the stretch turn, where he saved a couple of lengths and beat the favorite by a nose. Summaries:

First race—five and one-half furlongs, selling—Blue Shed, 109 (Relly), 2 to 1; first; Paul, 109 (McCabe), 6 to 1; second; My Love, 110 (D. Boland), 3 to 1; third. Time, 1:14 4-5.

Second race—five and one-half furlongs, selling—Escutcheon, 114 (McCabe), even, first; Fernade, 109 (Doverly), 8 to 1; second; Claiborne, 103 (Jackson), 6 to 1; third. Time, 1:13 3-5.

Third race—six furlongs, selling—Edwin L., 102 (Davenport), 2 to 1; first; Cloisteress, 111 (McCabe), even, second; Stronland, 107 (Mountain), 6 to 1; third. Time, 1:20.

Fourth race—five furlongs, selling—Autumn Girl, 109 (McCabe), 2 to 1; first; St. Delmol, 107 (Davenport), even, second; Bonnie Bee, 107 (Doverly), 3 to 1; third. Time, 1:10.

Fifth race—five and one-half furlongs, selling—Punky, 106 (Jackson), 6 to 5; first; Nantico, 109 (McCabe), 3 to 1; second; Masks and Faces, 103 (D. Murphy), 4 to 1; third. Time, 1:12.

Sixth race—one mile, selling—Ogo, 103 (Lang), 5 to 1; first; W. I. Hinch, 108 (Moorehouse), 7 to 1; second; Bronte, 114 (McRee), even, third. Time, 1:50.

## Auction Sales, This Day.

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By virtue of a deed of trust from R. E. Gregory and E. E. Gregory to me, at trustee, and duly recorded, I will sell, on the premises, No. 1229 Chad Street, TOMORROW (Thursday), DEC. 30TH, commencing at 10:30 o'clock, a full line of Fresh Staple Groceries on shelf and in original case lots, consisting of a full line of Canned Goods, such as Corn, Peas, Peaches, Tomatoes, Sardines, Baked Beans, Salmon, etc.; Good Luck, Rumford and other Baking Powders, Cigars, Cigarettes, Smoking and Chewing Tobacco, Coffee, Tea, Flour, Laundry Dry and Toilet Soaps, Brooms, Lamp Glass, etc. This stock is strictly fresh and desirable. Trade invited to attend. Terms cash. ALFRED E. COHEN, Trustee. The Valentine Auction Co., Auctioneers.

## Auction Sales, Future Days.

PUBLIC SALE BY AUCTION OF THE

## Boydton Lumber and Manufacturing Company Plant

IN BOYDTON, VA.

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Mecklenburg entered at the October term, 1909, in the Chancery cause of C. N. Williams, et al., vs. The Boydton Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Inc., the undersigned will offer for sale by public auction in front of the courthouse, Boydton, Va., on

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1910,

at 2 P. M. of that day the entire Plant of the Boydton Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Inc., consisting of:

Said Plant consists of 10 acres of land adjoining the town of Boydton, with all necessary buildings, therefor, for the conduct of the manufacture of lumber. Also the following machinery:

Two 80-horsepower Boilers, Standard Tubular; one 80-horsepower Engine; three Planing Mills, all complete; one Gang Rip Saw, all complete; one Lowry Edger, all complete; eight Box Shook Machine, complete; two Fairbanks Pumps; one complete set of Pulleys, Pipes and Fitting complete for running a Box Machine and Planing mill.

The above sale offers a fine opportunity to any one desiring such property to purchase a complete Planing Mill and Box Shook Machine ready to use, and also a complete set of machinery for the manufacture of lumber. The balance on a credit of one and two years, for which the purchaser shall execute bonds in full interest from date of sale, and title to be retained until the whole of the purchase money is paid to the other sales, cash will be required.

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## FATHER TEARNEY

NAMED BY BISHOP

He Goes From Falls Church to Succeed Late Father McGurk, in Lynchburg.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, Va., December 28.—President McLaughlin, of the local ball team, announced to-day that the first exhibition game for the Shoe-makers next spring will take place on Saturday, April 9, with the Rochester Eastern League team. Manager Ganzol will bring his team here from the training camp at Anderson, S. C.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, Va., December 28.—Rev. Edward M. Tearney, pastor of the Falls Church Catholic Church, has been named by Bishop Van de Vyver, Bishop of the Diocese of Richmond, to succeed the late Father McGurk, whose recent death here terminated a pastorate covering a period of forty-two years. It is not known when Father Tearney will be in charge here, but this will be soon, it is believed. The